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PATENT
Attorney Docket No. 440379/PALL

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

WELCH et al.

Application No. 09/720,197

Art Unit: 1724

Filed: April 10, 2001

Examiner: R. Chiesa

For: PLEATED FILTER AND A METHOD
FOR MAKING THE SAME

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated June 6, 2002, Applicants petition for a three month extension of time, extending the date for response to and including December 6, 2002, submit the requisite fee therefor, and request that the referenced patent application be amended as shown below.

AMENDMENTS

IN THE DRAWINGS:

The Examiner is requested to approve the changes to Figures 1 and 2(a) as indicated in the attached Request for Approval of Drawing Amendments.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Replace the paragraph beginning at page 5, line 8 with:

Another aspect of the invention is directed to an apparatus comprising one or more dies arranged to reform a pleat tip region of a pleat.

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